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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HOUIS et al.

Application No. 09/645,777

Art Unit: 1732

Examiner: McDowell, Suzanne E.

Filed: August 25, 2000

For: BLOW-MOULDED ARTICLES AND
BLOW MOULDING METHODS FOR
PRODUCING THEM

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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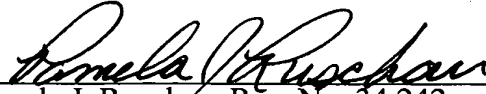
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2004, Applicant elects group I, claims 1-12, drawn to an article, classification in Class 464, Subclass 175.

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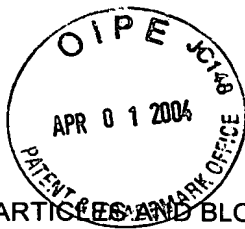
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

- ☐ Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☐ Other:
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.

| | | | | | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE | | | none | | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 | | |
| | | subtract time extension fee previously paid | | none | | (\$ 0.00) | | (\$ 0.00) | |
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| CLAIM FEE | | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT | RATE | ADDIT. CLAIM FEE | RATE | ADDIT. CLAIM FEE |
| TOTAL | | 17 | MINUS | 20 | =0 | x 9= | \$ | x 18= | \$0.00 |
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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